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26 April 1965

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 26 April 1965

There was a Current Intelligence Briefing. A memorandum on the India/Pakistan strife in the Kutch area was given to Mr. McCone and Admiral Raborn.

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DDS&T displayed tracks of a proposed TACKLE route for which final approval will be sought this afternoon.

DDS noted that there will be an award ceremony for General Carter in the auditorium at noon. Mr. McCone also referred to this later and asked that all hands be present.

DDI noted that batches of [redacted] are beginning to arrive at NPIC which finds them useful.

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Referring to Secretary McNamara's scheduled press conference this morning, DDI noted that NPIC had been making various photography available for this purpose during the weekend.

DDI tabled an updated compendium of Communist statements concerning Vietnam. He also tabled a memo on the various Communist statements and positions on the Cambodian conference.

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DDI referred to a weekend telephone call he had had from McGeorge Bundy suggesting that the Agency make available unclassified, non-policy information as guidance to journalists on Vietnam. DDI noted that he had provided [] with unclassified material on Chinese Communist attitudes toward intellectuals. DDI reported that Dr. Guthe had received an award from the Association of American Geographers. Mr. McCone asked DDI to give a note to Elder on this so that McCone can write a commendatory letter to Guthe.

DCI asked DDP to make another inquiry about the status of [] recent assessment and as to where it stands with the Ambassador and/or the country team.

DCI asked that a paper be pulled together on Viet Cong bombings, atrocities, terrorism, assassinations, and kidnappings for possible eventual use in support of the administration policy on Vietnam.

DCI noted that there is a growing tendency for various observers to state flatly that a major attack by the Viet Cong is in the offing. He asked that this be looked into and squared with the evidence. In this connection.

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